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Student strike stalls CU

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Academic activities stood still at Chittagong University (CU) yesterday because of a student strike.

Chhatra Union, Chhatra Front and Chhatra Foundation called the strike under the banner of Progotishul Chhatra Jote to demand the withdrawal of enhanced tuition and other fees.

The CU Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) is also to enforce a strike today with the same demand.

The student turnout was low and all classes and some tests were suspended yesterday.

The university students have been agitating for around a month now, as authorities have increased fees in every score. Besides, Tk 2500 is also being realised from each student on a departmental basis without any receipt.

However, authorities in a meeting decided to go for a 15 per cent decrease in fees that had been enhanced by 200 to 300 per cent. But all student organisations refused to accept the insignificant decrease.

The CU BCL in a press release yesterday evening termed the 15 per cent decrease farcical.